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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

This Response is being filed in response to the Final Office Action dated October 7, 2003. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and further examination. This response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination.

Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period of response three months, up to, and including April 7, 2004. Please charge the \$475.00 extension fee, and any additional fees required in connection with the papers transmitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 3284/1230.

**Amendments to the Claims** are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and remarks.